





Declaration for Children's Internet Safety

Whereas: **The Internet is one of the most effective tools available** for purposes of education and research and gives children the means to make friends and freely communicate with peers and family anywhere in the world, and...

Whereas: *It is vital to the well being of children* that the Internet offer them a wholesome environment to explore and that its capacity to deliver pornographic material to the innocent be responsibly monitored and effectively screened, and...

Whereas: *Children are ill-equipped to cope with lurid Internet content or cyber predators* and are at risk in their own home, school and library, and...

Whereas: *Parents, religious and government leaders, educators and thinking people* everywhere are concerned about children's Internet safety. Web manipulation by the unscrupulous and the rising tide of pornographic web sites, and...

Whereas: *Heightened awareness and a broad public consensus* against the thwarting of true Internet purpose is a moral imperative, and objectionable material, such as violent, obscene, or sexually explicit adult material may be received by a minor in unsolicited form, and... Whereas: **The month of October has been designated** "**Children's Internet Safety Month**" by unanimous vote of Michigan's Senate and House of Representatives, and residents in the state will have the opportunity to add their signatures to this Declaration, and...

Whereas: *It is imperative that Michigan parents, grandparents, guardians, family members, teachers,* along with churches, business and community leaders and organizations, be alerted to the pervasiveness and danger of pornography on the Internet and, support this public service initiative to improve the Internet culture within their own spheres of influence, and...

Whereas: **The century of instant global communication** holds great promise for achieving better understanding between peoples of the world and heralds a broader resolve to protect the safety of children in order that the Internet not be perceived as an instrument of cunning pornographic invitation to the young, but as evidence of profound respect for human dignity, creative inquiry and commitment to excellence.

Yes, It. Governor Dick Posthumus, you can count on me!
I, the undersigned, hereby pledge my support to all Declaration principles.

The Children's Internet Safety Campaign is a special project of the FreedomISP Foundation.

By adding my signature to this Declaration, I pledge to be more watchful and protective of children's Internet safety.

You can Sign the Declaration online and get additional information at: www.freedomispfoundation.org Or: Mail signature form to FreedomISP Foundation, P.O. Box 2234, Farmington Hills, MI 48333

